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We, Takeo MAEKAWA, Tetsuya MIWA and Hiromi HIRAMATSU, the inventors named in published US patent application US 2003/0183218 A1, do hereby declare of our own personal knowledge and belief:

1. THAT, to the extent the invention being claimed in the above-identified application 10/661,521 naming Hiromi HIRAMATSU as the sole inventor has been disclosed (but not claimed) in our joint application US 2003/0183218 A1, such disclosure was derived from inventor Hiromi HIRAMATSU.

2. THAT Hiromi HIRAMATSU is the sole inventor of the subject matter being claimed in the above-identified application 10/661,521.

3. We declare further that all statements made herein of my/our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true;

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